



DEWEY IS A PLEASED MAN. RECEPTION SURPRISES HIM.

Twenty Thousand People Throng the Streets and Give the Hero of Manila an Ovation.

WHEELING'S OWN, JOHN SEHON DODDRIDGE, RECEIVED

With Fitting Honors Upon His Arrival on a Later Train—The Lieutenant Entertained by Friends Informally—The Admiral Declined to Attend the Proposed Reception at the McClure, so That He Might Recuperate for To-day's Doings—All Trains Coming to the City Are Filled With Enthusiastic Patriots—With Fair Weather it is Believed the Crowd Will Number 50,000 to 100,000 People.

Dewey is in town.

Likewise Doddridge.

Also Senator Scott, Congressman Freer, Dovenor and Dayton, Speaker O. S. McKinney, Hon. A. B. White, and hundreds of other distinguished citizens of West Virginia.

Governor Atkinson and many other leading citizens are expected this morning.

Full 5,000 strangers had reached the city last night from all parts of the tri-state radius. This morning it is believed the arrivals will number 40,000 to 50,000, of whom the great majority, of course, will come from the immediate vicinity of Wheeling. With fair weather, which is predicted, the crowd will undoubtedly be the largest in the history of the city.

The feature of the day yesterday was the reception tendered Admiral Dewey on the arrival of his special train at 9:15 o'clock. In the afternoon at 4:30 o'clock the reception committee, composed of Messrs. John Waterhouse, chairman; R. M. Baird, James B. McKee, C. W. Brockmeyer, Morris Horkheimer, Clarke Hamilton, Alex. Updegraff, Mayor Sweeney, Roy B. Naylor, George Baird, T. M. Garvin, Robert White, John Frew, H. V. Arkie, T. B. McLain, T. A. Little, Latane McLain, T. C. Burke and R. M. Archer, departed via the Baltimore & Ohio for Glover's Gap, to meet the special train bearing Admiral Dewey and party, and to accompany the admiral to the city.

The two trains met as scheduled with a wait of either. The Wheeling committee boarded the special, but at the time the admiral was at dinner.

After a wait of a few minutes, Admiral Dewey and Lieutenant Caldwell made their appearance. The great man greeted the Wheeling people pleasantly, and was introduced to those whom he had not met at Washington last November.

On behalf of the city, Mayor Sweeney spoke words of welcome, saying that, although Wheeling was not a large city, it acknowledged no peer in hospitality. Wheeling people, the mayor said, appreciated the sacrifices made by the admiral in making the trip, and he believed the people would see to it that his visit was made pleasant and agreeable.

Did Not Forget Wheeling.

In reply to the mayor, Admiral Dewey spoke most graciously. He said the Wheeling committee that visited him last November, presenting the city's wedding gift and invitation to attend the Fort-Henry celebration, had come when it seemed that some of the American people were "down" on him. He had never forgotten that visit, nor had he forgotten his promise to come here on February 22, although many people had endeavored to make him break that promise.

"I've remembered my promise to you gentlemen from Wheeling, and now I am with you," concluded the admiral with a smile.

Needless to remark, this pleasant little introduction to the railroad trip of fifty miles placed everybody in a good humor. Chairmen Garvin, Brockmeyer and Waterhouse and Grand Marshal White outlined to the admiral the arrangements that had been made for his arrival in the city. He endorsed all that had been done with the exception that he vetoed the proposed informal reception at the McClure, and said, too, that he had arranged to stay on his car during the night, instead of going to the hotel. Efforts were made to have the admiral consent to a ten-minute reception at the hotel last night, but he replied that he desired especially to recuperate for the functions to-day.

"To-morrow I am in your hands, gentlemen," he added.

Asked as to visiting the City Hospital's Loan Exhibition, the admiral said he would be pleased to attend it, and it was decided that he would be escorted there at 11 o'clock this morning, for a stay of half an hour or more.

The admiral was more than pleased with the enthusiasm that was manifested at many West Virginia towns when his train passed through, and remarked that he had heard of patriotism being more manifest in rugged West Virginia than in the eastern states, and he had come to believe it.

Speaking to State Mine Inspector Paul, who had boarded the train at Grafton, he paid a high tribute to West Virginia coal, "West Virginia coal," he said, "is the best steam producing coal in the world." Coal from this state, he it known, is generally used in the United States navy, as well as in the English and other foreign navies.

At Martinsburg, Piedmont, Oakland,

Grafton, Fairmont, Mannington, Cameron, Moundsville, McMechen and Benwood the people were out to do honor to Dewey. At Fairmont a thousand people cheered him as the train passed. At Mannington the whole town was out and a magnificent ovation was tendered the great man when he appeared upon the rear platform of President Cowan's car. Here several fine floral tributes were presented to the admiral.

South Siders Enthusia.

When the train had passed Benwood Junction, at 9 o'clock, and was passing up through the lower South Side, steam whistles of the innumerable factories took up the note of welcome. Their shrill notes, added to the cheers of the hundreds that congregated at each street crossing, were inspiring. The admiral was pleased and surprised at the warmth of the greeting.

Upon the arrival of the train at Ford's crossing, Thirty-third street, a crowd of about 1,500 people was found assembled, and great and prolonged was the burst of cheers that greeted the admiral's arrival. Here it was expected that the carriages and escort would be waiting, but in some manner not explained last night, Marshal Matheson had received orders to have his carriages and escort bodies at the Hemphill yards, opposite the city building. This was soon explained, and the train proceeded up town, and out to the Hemphill yards. Here a crowd approximated at 5,000 people had assembled to give the Hero of Manila a taste of the Wheeling brand of patriotism and enthusiasm. After the train had been side-tracked, Admiral Dewey made his appearance on the rear platform, and the instant his well-known and handsome, clean-cut features were recognized, a shout went up that could be heard a mile. This was repeated several times, and when, in recognition, the admiral removed his hat, another cheer burst from the multitude that nearly shook the city building's foundations.

After some delay in getting the carriages in line, the admiral and party and members of the reception committee entered the vehicles, in this order: First carriage—Admiral Dewey, John Frew, Lieut. Caldwell and John Waterhouse.

Second carriage—C. W. Brockmeyer, T. M. Garvin and Robert White.

Third carriage—Morris Horkheimer, Joseph Spield, C. S. Livingston.

Fourth carriage—Alex. Updegraff, R. M. Baird, Clarke Hamilton.

Fifth carriage—T. A. Little, T. C. Burke, L. M. LaFollette, J. W. Paul.

Sixth carriage—H. V. Arkie, R. B. Naylor and R. M. Archer.

The line of march was up Chapline street to Sixteenth, on Sixteenth to Market, on Market to Twelfth, on Twelfth to Chapline, and on Chapline to the admiral's car in the Hemphill yards.

The bodies participating as escort to the city's distinguished guest were the following:

Platoon of police.

Chief Marshal and Staff.

Opera House Band.

Liable Institute Detail, Lieut. B. C. Dent, Commanding.

Doddridge Cadets, of Union School—Companies 1, 2 and 3.

Cathedral High School Cadets.

Knights of St. John, Commandery 518, Capt. Joseph A. Wetzel.

Knights of St. John, Commandery 44, Capt. A. G. Hadlich.

Uniformed Rank, Knights of Pythias.

General James H. Lancaster and Staff.

Major James T. McGee and Staff.

Meister's Band.

Couer de Leon, Capt. R. H. Shaffer.

Bernard Shanley, F. B. Lisby, Captain.

James T. McGee, George W. Welsgerber, Captain.

Battery "A," Captain J. W. Reed.

Company A, First West Virginia Infantry, National Guard, Captain John P. Glass.

Company D, Second West Virginia Infantry, Capt. R. M. D. Willis.

Company G, Fourth United States Volunteer Immunes, Captain A. A. Franzheim.

The Admiral Surprised.

The crush at the Hemphill yards was a spectacle in itself, but when the line swung into Market street it was seen that all had not been told. The sidewalks were packed, and thousands were forced to stand out in the street. There was some difficulty in making progress up the street, owing to the fact that hundreds endeavored to keep pace with the admiral's carriage, thus creating a congestion at that particular point. At Fourteenth there was an awful jam for a few minutes, but the police did good work and soon opened

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MRS. GEORGE DEWEY,

Whom Wheeling's Representatives Will Always Remember for the Gracious Reception extended Them Last November—Unfortunately, She Could Not Accompany the Admiral to Wheeling.

PORTO RICAN TARIFF BILL

In Doubt in the House—Several Republicans Oppose and Some Democrats Favor Its Passage—Caucus to be Held Saturday Night.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—For the first time in the debate upon the Porto Rican tariff bill the voice of a Republican was raised to-day against the measure. Mr. Bromwell (Ohio) spoke against the bill. He opposed it on the ground of policy and not of constitutionality. His hostility, however, was not so absolute but that he announced his intention of voting for it if the substitute failed. The other speakers to-day were Mr. Ray (New York) and Mr. Long (Kansas) for the bill, and Mr. Henry (Texas) against it.

The Republicans have decided to hold a caucus or conference on the bill on Saturday night. Although there are said to be between twenty or thirty Republicans who are hostile to the measure, the Republican leaders who are canvassing the situation say that not more than four or five will cast their votes against it. They also say several Democrats will support it. The only Democrat who is outspoken in his advocacy of the bill is Mr. Davey (Louisiana). He represents one of the largest cane sugar districts in the south. Some others, including Mr. Meyer and Mr. Broussard (Louisiana), Mr. Devries (California), Mr. Davis and Mr. Sparkman (Florida) are said to be in the doubtful column, but the Democratic whip says that only Mr. Davey and Mr. Sibley (Pennsylvania) will vote for it. Mr. Wilson, of Idaho, a silver Republican, is also said to be inclined to vote for the bill. Some of the Republican opponents of the bill who dislike to go on record against their party believe that the way out of the dilemma in which they find themselves is to vote to recommit the measure. On account of the pressure for time the debate hereafter will begin at 11 o'clock and there will be night sessions on Thursday and Friday.

TO COMMEMORATE

Establishment of National Capital at Washington, the Corner Stone of a Bridge Will be Laid to Connect Washington With the Virginia Side of the Potomac.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—A preliminary meeting was held here to-day to prepare for a national celebration commemorating the establishment of the seat of government at Washington. Such a step had been under consideration for more than a year, and in February, 1899, Congress, upon the recommendation of the President, appropriated \$10,000 toward the celebration, and appointed committees from the senate and house of representatives to act with the Washington citizens' committee in arranging the details of the memorial ceremonies. To emphasize the character of the event the governors of the states and territories were invited to co-operate, and twenty-one of these were present to-day in person or represented by proxy.

Senator Hale, chairman of the select committee from the senate, was chosen chairman of the joint committee.

The main feature of the committee's plan was to devote some day, not yet

named, in December, 1900, to laying the cornerstone of a national memorial bridge from a point on the Washington water front to the Virginia side of the Potomac, close to the national cemetery at Arlington.

The question was referred to a committee of five, consisting of Senator McMillin, Governor Dyer, of Rhode Island; Representative J. P. Heatwole, of Minnesota; Colonel M. M. Parker, and Charles J. Bell, of this city.

WELCOME ON THE STAND

In the Clark Case Yesterday—Senator Clark's Son to be Called to Testify To-day—From the Former Testimony of Others He Ought to Know All About the Affair.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—Mr. John B. Wellcome, Senator Clark's manager in his senatorial contest, was the only witness before the senate committee in the Clark case to-day. His testimony was at no time startling. Mr. Wellcome placed his expenditure for the senatorial campaign at not to exceed \$25,000, and at the request of the committee produced his bank book and old checks to substantiate this statement.

These documents were taken in hand by a sub-committee and were not made public. He said that he suspected Mr. Daly of supplying money used in the Whitelide expose. He also said that he had concluded that the Montana supreme court was prejudiced against him and that this was the reason why he had not gone upon the stand in his disbarment trial. At the conclusion of the day's sitting it was announced that Senator Clark's son, C. W. Clark, would go on the stand to-morrow.

THE QUAY CASE

To be Called Up in the Senate To-day as a Privileged Question.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—An effort is to be made to get the question involving the seat of former Senator Quay, of Pennsylvania, formally before the senate for consideration. Mr. Penrose, of Pennsylvania, gave notice to-day that he would call up the case to-morrow. As it is a privileged question he may be able to secure a vote on the taking up of the case for consideration and thus develop the Quay strength in the senate, at least approximately.

During the greater part of to-day's session the Hawaiian government bill was under consideration, but little progress was made.

GEN. LUKE E. WRIGHT

To be Appointed on the Philippine Commission.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—It is understood that the President has practically decided to appoint General Luke E. Wright, of Memphis, Tenn., a member of the new Philippine commission. General Wright is believed to have the endorsement of Judge Taft, the president of the commission.

Samoa Treaty Ratified.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—The senate, in executive session to-day, ratified the treaty between the United States, Great Britain and Germany, affecting claims growing out of the joint control of the Samoan Islands. This

treaty was a separate document from the political agreement dividing the authority over the islands.

DAUGHTERS OF THE REVOLUTION

Got Excited, Just Like Men, and in the Confusion a Page Was Knocked Down—Suggestions Made That a Sergeant-at-Arms be Appointed.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—At to-day's session of the Daughters of the American Revolution the credentials committee reported on names withheld yesterday and stated that after careful examination it had found the credentials correct. The "Warren chapter question then arose, and after discussion the congress decided to hear the minutes of the last meeting. An attempt was then made to adopt the minutes of the board meetings for the year and approve their findings. This would mean to accept as final its findings in regard to the local Warren chapter. The confusion by this time was so great that Mrs. Sherman, of New York, suggested that if the disturbance continued a sergeant-at-arms should be appointed. She said that yesterday one of the pages had been knocked down by members of congress in their determination to go where they wanted to. Mrs. Thompson, of Massachusetts, said it was true that a page had been knocked down; that the young lady was under her charge and that the deed had been done by two vice presidents general. Mrs. Forsythe, of New York, stated that the occurrence was accidental. Mrs. Hatch, chairman of the house committee, asked that better order be observed. After some discussion of this question the congress, at 1 o'clock, took a recess.

GOV. ATKINSON

And Distinguished Party Coming. Senator Elkins Better.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—Governor G. W. Atkinson and Attorney General Edward H. Rucker and several other distinguished West Virginians, left to-night in the private car of the general manager of the Baltimore & Ohio for Wheeling, attached to the 3:05 train.

Sensor S. B. Elkins is somewhat better to-night and is getting along nicely. The doctor expects him to get out in a week or so.

MILITARY OPERATIONS

In the Philippines Virtually Ended. The New Philippine Commission.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—According to information received at the war department from Manila, with the end of the present expedition of General Bates into the two provinces at the extreme southern part of the island of Luzon, military operations in the Philippines will close. Afterward, it is said, there is nothing to do but to undertake to maintain order through a police system. Attention is now being given to that subject, and steps are being taken to form a thoroughly mobile, lightly armed gendarmerie, something on the order of the Canadian mounted police, to cover the islands at all points and conserve the energies of the troops.

The President is devoting special attention to the formation of the new Philippine commission, setting upon the advice that the army has reached the end of its functions in the islands and that the time is ripe for the establishment of civil government throughout the archipelago. It is hoped that the personnel can be completed before the end of next week.

MANHEIM MURDER

James Smith Fired Into a Crowd, Fatally Injuring Charles and Thomas Smith and Seriously Wounding John Moore—A Large Party in Pursuit.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

KINGWOOD, W. Va., Feb. 21.—A terrible murder occurred at Manheim, in Preston county, last night. James Smith opened the door of the shanty in which a party of men were sitting and fired into the crowd, fatally injuring Charles and Thomas Smith and seriously wounding John Moore. All are negroes. The murderer is from Baltimore, Md. Five hundred men are now searching for him.

Writ of Error Granted.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

CLARKSBURG, W. Va., Feb. 21.—At Morgantown, to-day, Judge Dent, of the supreme court, granted a writ of error to Valle Bougher, recently sentenced to seven years in the penitentiary. This entitles him to bail, and application will be made to-morrow with the expectation of it being granted Friday. The appeal will be heard at the June term of court in Wheeling.

Death of a Veteran Free-Mason.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

CLARKSBURG, W. Va., Feb. 21.—W. S. Summers, aged 91 years, one of the oldest men in this county, died at his home, in this city, this morning, after a lingering illness. He was an active Mason and one of the oldest members of the order in this state. The funeral will take place Saturday under the auspices of the Masonic lodge of this city.

Prominent Marion Farmer Dead.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

FAIRMONT, W. Va., Feb. 21.—John Hunsaker was stricken with paralysis yesterday and died to-day. He was about 71 years of age and one of the best known farmers in this county, having lived here all his life.

Important Appointment.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

CHARLESTON, W. Va., Feb. 21.—Ex-State Senator A. G. Hughes, of Jackson county, was to-day appointed chief clerk to Superintendent of Schools Trotter, to succeed L. C. Anderson, now assistant attorney general.

MRS. LAWTON

Expresses Her Thanks for the Generous Contributions.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—Mrs. Lawton has made the following acknowledgment of the receipt of the home fund:

PEWEE VALLEY, Ky., Feb. 18.

Dear General Corbin:

Such kindness as yours can never be repaid, and my heart is very full when I try to thank you. Words seem very poor at such a time. Will you please believe that I do appreciate it and all my life will find comfort in the remembrance.

The universal feeling which prompted such wonderful generosity from the nation is so beautiful to me and so dear that my gratitude is inexpressible profound.

It has relieved the one anxious thought Henry would have had, and I don't know how to thank you or the nation.

Believe me, with kind regards, very sincerely,

MARY C. LAWTON.

PARKERSBURG COUPLE

Eloped, and Were Married at Marietta, Ohio.

PARKERSBURG, W. Va., Feb. 21.—Jessie M. Beach, a member of one of the prominent families of the city, and until to-day a pupil in school, who was to graduate next year, and Charles L. Hutton, a young bookkeeper in a plumbing firm's office, eloped to Marietta to-day and were married. Mrs. Beach went to Marietta and gave notice that she would bring criminal suit against the clerk of the court and the minister who performed the ceremony for marrying a girl under the age prescribed by the Ohio law and not a resident of the state. The girl bride, in order that the license be secured, had said that her age was twenty and that she lived at the village of Belpre, just across the river from this city. The matter has created a profound sensation, as Mrs. Beach is serious in her threats to prosecute the officials and the preacher.

W. E. ELY ACQUITTED.

Jury Virtually Decided That Osteopathy is Not Practice of Medicine.

PARKERSBURG, W. Va., Feb. 21.—At 5 o'clock this afternoon the jury in the case of W. E. Ely, charged with violations of the state medical law, brought in a verdict of not guilty. Briefly stated, that is the end of a trial in criminal court of an action that has excited more than ordinary interest, both here and all over the state, especially among the medical fraternity, as it has been in the nature of a test to decide whether the practice of the science of osteopathy for curing the sick is the practice of medicine. The jury said, by its verdict, that it was not. The state will take an appeal to have the law construed. The entire trial has been a scientific battle.

KENTUCKY SITUATION

Simplified by Agreement for Speedy Trial of an Agreed Case.

FRANKFORT, Ky., Feb. 21.—The contents over the state offices are very much simplified by an agreement entered into to-day between the attorneys for the Republicans and the Democrats, representing both sides, and straightening out the legal tangle over the multiplicity of injunction suits for the title to the governorship.

The agreement is that there shall be a speedy trial in the courts on an agreed case, involving all of the issues, the first hearing to be before Judge Emmet Field, at Louisville.

WILL ENTER LADYSMITH ON SATURDAY

Announced From Transvaal Sources That Boers Are Evacuating Natal Because

POSITIONS ARE UNTENABLE.

Siege of Ladysmith to be Raised, and Buller Will Enter at the Head of the Week.

LONDON, Feb. 21.—As the correspondents with Lord Roberts are silent, the telegrams from Boer sources receive some countenance. The latter aver that General Cronje, while the British were endeavoring to surround him between Paardeberg and Koodoosrand, received reinforcements, under Dewet, and that together the Boer commanders fought the British to a standstill.

However all this may be, public opinion here will not be reassured until the war office exhibits explicit statements of success, which, of course, would clear away the gathering doubts respecting the uninterrupted successes of Lord Roberts' forward march. No one doubts his ultimate success, but there is a fear of temporary disappointment, and that a lot of hard fighting is ahead of the British.

Ladysmith Will Soon be Relieved.

The latest report regarding General Buller, circulated in the house of commons last evening, was that an agent of the De Beers company had received a cablegram from Cape Town, which must have passed the censor, to the effect that General Barton's fusilier brigade had reached the hills commanding Ladysmith. Quite apart from this, however, and from every other rumor the early relief of the beleaguered garrison is thought inevitable.

The arrival at the war office of several prominent officials after 11 o'clock gave substance to a report that important information from Lord Roberts had been received, but an announcement was soon forthcoming that no further bulletins would be posted during the night.

Cronje Surrounded.

CAPE TOWN, Feb. 21.—A special correspondent of the Cape Argus says: "General Cronje is surrounded at Paardeberg Drift, but is offering a stubborn resistance. The British are shelling the Boers vigorously, and expect to capture the whole force."

IMPORTANT NEWS

From Boer Sources—Joubert Concentrating to Oppose Roberts.

BERLIN, Feb. 21.—The Tageblatt publishes special dispatches from Brussels which say the Transvaal legation there announces that all the Boers are evacuating Natal, their position in that colony being no longer tenable.

General Joubert, it is added, has ordered the concentration of all the available forces to oppose Lord Roberts.

The siege of Ladysmith, it is further announced, will be raised, and it is expected General Buller will enter the town at the end of the week.

MEDIATION

Between British and Boers Has Not Been Seriously Considered by the United States, and Would Not be Attempted, Except at the Request of Both Parties.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—In view of the persistent circulation of the rumor that the government of the United States has reached an agreement with the German government, through its representative here, Baron von Hohenhausen, to intervene between the combatants in South Africa, the Associated Press has secured from the highest authority a statement of the present position of the government in this matter. This is to the effect that there has been absolutely no agreement reached between Secretary Hay and Baron von Hohenhausen on the subject, nor has there been any discussion of the propriety of joint mediation between the British and the Boers. Nor has the United States government undertaken or contemplated any intervention on its own account. There has been no time before now since the outbreak of the present war that the President would not have, with the greatest readiness, exercised his good offices in favor of peace if that could have been accomplished without what he regarded as an unwarrantable breach of international law and the proprieties. His present position is said to be precisely as stated in the following sentence, extracted from his annual message to Congress:

"We have remained faithful to the precept of avoiding entangling alliances as to affairs not of our direct concern. Had circumstances suggested them the parties to the quarrel would have welcomed any kindly expressions of the hope of the American people that war might be averted, good offices would have been gladly tendered."

It will be noted that the keynote of the President's statement may be found in the plural form he uses; the invitation to mediate must come from both parties; a single invitation is not a sufficient warrant for interference, in his view.

Weather Forecast.

For West Virginia, Western Pennsylvania and Ohio—Rain and snow, followed by clearing and colder Thursday; high northwesterly winds; Friday fair and warmer.

Local Temperature.

The temperature yesterday, as observed by C. Schnepf, druggist, corner of Market and Fourteenth streets, was as follows:

At 6 a.m. 32°; at 9 a.m. 34°; at 12 m. 36°; at 3 p.m. 38°; at 6 p.m. 36°; at 9 p.m. 34°; at midnight 32°.